

AMENDMENTS TO SPECIFICATION

Please amend the Abstract as follows:

ABSTRACT

In an embodiment of the present invention is an a minimally invasive implant for alleviates discomfort and lack of stability in the lumbosacral region of the spine. The implant alleviates pain and increases lumbosacral stability while being minimally invasive. The beam of the implant engages the spinous process of the L5 vertebrae to spread the mechanical load from the vertebrae through the device.